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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- CIA DIRECTOR GEORGE BUSH HAS NOT BRIEFED JIMMY CARTER ON NATIONAL SECURITY MATTERS, WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID TODAY.

BUSH WENT TO HERSHEY, PA., TUESDAY AND REPORTS QUOTED CARTER, THE LIKELY DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE, AS SAYING THE BRIEFINGS HAD BEGUN.

"THE MEETING YESTERDAY IN HERSHEY WAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ARRANGING BRIEFINGS," NESSEN TOLD REPORTERS. HE SAID PRESIDENT FORD'S POLICY REMAINS THAT THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE WILL BE GIVEN THE BRIEFING ONLY AFTER HE IS NOMINATED.

A REPORTER ASKED IF THE PRESIDENT IS NOW CONVINCED CARTER WILL RECEIVE THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION. "DOESN'T EVERYBODY?" NESSEN REPLIED.

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